

PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM  
Minutes of Annual Meeting  
of Board of Directors  
with State Engineer

January 9, 1964

Pursuant to call by the Chairman, due notice having been given, the Board of Directors of the Provo River Distribution System convened at 1:00 p.m. in Room 200 of the Utah County Court House in Provo, Utah.

Chairman Niels Andersen presided.

On roll call the following were present:

Sherman A. Giles	Group 2 - Upper Provo, East Heber Valley
Floyd Bonner	" 3 - Upper Provo, West Heber Valley
Stanley Roberts	" 5 - East Provo Canals
Niels Andersen	" 6 - Provo Bench Canals
Elmer A. Seal	" 7 - Provo Reservoir Water Users Co.
Hampton C. Godbe	" 8 - Provo River Water Users Assn.
Ernest Knight	" 9 - Upper Provo River Individual Rights.

Absent: J. Edwin Ure, Group 1, Kamas Valley Canals Group; and Glenn A. Wright, Group 4, Provo City Canals.

Also present were Donald C. Norseth, representing the State Engineer; Frank Reese, Business Manager; James N. Ward and R. Keith Higginson, all from the State Engineer's office; Elmer J. Taylor Utah Power & Light Co.; Alma Huber, Midway Irrigation Co.; Commissioner W. R. Wayman and Deputy Commissioner I. F. Baum.

Chairman Andersen announced that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss general problems of the river administration, adopt a budget, hear recommendations and reports from the State Engineer and to report the river system's nominees for appointment as Commissioner and deputies.

Mr. Norseth then took the floor to report, as official representative of State Engineer Wayne D. Criddle. He said the past year on the Provo River had been exceptionally busy, with considerably more work demanded of the Commissioner and his deputies, whom he commended for having done good jobs. He said many meetings had been held in Wasatch county with regard to installation of measuring devices, with the users being told that if such devices were not promptly installed they would be denied water in the ensuing season. Mr. Norseth also noted the winter precipitation so far as being low, and that from present forecasts the seasonal yield may be below normal.

Chairman Andersen then called for action on minutes of the Board's meeting held January 10, 1963, noting that copies thereof had been promptly mailed to all members of the Board, to the State Engineer and to other interested parties. There being no

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objection, and due to their length, reading of the minutes was waived and they were adopted with all present voting aye.

FINANCES: Report by Business Manager.

Mr. Reese then reported on finances, reviewing data as supplied under date of Jan. 3, 1964 to all Board members. He noted that delinquent accounts, always to be expected in some degree, were not abnormally high, being only \$294.38. He reported also because of difficulties in working out details, funds of the river system still were being handled by the State Engineer's office although such administration eventually is to be taken over by the State Treasurer.

After discussion Director Knight moved that the financial report be accepted and filed for record. The motion was seconded by Director Roberts and adopted with all present voting aye.

At request of the Chairman, Commissioner Wayman told Mr. Norseth of the Board's action on Jan. 8, 1964, relating to the Vivian Park recorder and the South Fork measuring device.

Also at request of the Chairman, Secretary Godbe reported the Board's earlier feeling, in regard to the Forest Service's interest in head of the river storage dams, that the Commissioner and his deputies should not be in the position of taking orders from that agency; that instead, if the Forest Service desires water changes it take such matters up with the State Engineer who in turn would communicate with those water users who might be affected, thereafter to instruct the Commissioner accordingly. It was the Board's conclusion, he reported, that the Commissioner and his deputies should take orders solely from the State Engineer.

Mr. Norseth also was informed of the apparent refusal by the successor in interest to the L. J. Johnson power water right to voluntarily pay an increased assessment on the same basis accepted by the Utah Power & Light Co. and the Heber City Power Co. After discussion, but without formal motion, it was agreed by all present that this right should be assessed on the increased basis even though it would not legally be possible to collect more than the sum provided in the Provo River decree.

Secretary Godbe then reported the Board's action in increasing the salaries of the Commissioner and Deputy and in appropriating funds for purchase of the Vivian Park recorder and repair of the South Fork measuring device but without matching revision in the assessment basis, which would be kept at \$13,700 at least for 1964, in view of the substantial budget savings effected in 1963.

It was then calculated that the 1964 budget would be as follows:



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<u>1963 Budget Item No.</u>	<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Amount Approved for 1964</u>
1.	Commissioner's Salary .	\$ 6,000.00
1-B	River System Matching Soc. Sec.	174.00
1-F	River System Matching State Ret.	240.00
2.	Deputy Commissioner's Salary	4,500.00
2-B	River System Matching Soc. Sec.	163.16
2-F	River System Matching State Ret.	180.00
3.	Office Rent	180.00
4.	Travel Expense @ \$.09/mile	1,800.00
5.	Field Equipment	50.00
6.	Office Equipment & Supplies	150.00
7.	Commissioner's Annual Report (1963)	125.00
8.	Telephone Expense	225.00
9.	Committee Exp. & Allowances	500.00
10.	Bonds and Insurance Premiums	100.00
11.	Miscellaneous Expense	50.00
12.	Contractual Services (S. Giles)	<u>200.00</u>
TOTAL 1964 BUDGET		\$ 14,637.16

After further discussion Director Giles moved adoption of the following resolution:

(51) Resolved, that the budget of \$14,637.16 as herein-  
above set forth shall be and hereby is approved and  
adopted; and that the State Engineer shall be and he is  
hereby instructed to levy assessments for 1964 on the same  
basis as in 1963.

The motion was seconded by Director Seal and adopted with all  
present voting aye.

REPORT OF NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT BY STATE ENGINEER:

Chairman Andersen then informed Mr. Norseth that the Board, by formal vote, had nominated for reappointment both Commissioner Wayman and Deputy Baum, with Sherman A. Giles again to work two days per month as a trainee deputy on the same contract fund basis as in 1963.

Mr. Norseth said the Board could be assured that the nominations would be accepted and the reappointments made as requested.

Mr. Norseth said also that he wished to express the commendation of the State Engineer's office for the excellence of record-keeping and accuracy of the minutes as maintained by the System, for which appreciation was expressed by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the Board adjourned, subject to call by the Chairman. The time was 2:30 p.m.

Approved:

/s/ Niels Andersen  
Niels Andersen, Chairman

Hampton C. Godbe  
Hampton C. Godbe, Secretary